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THE BEAUTITUDES OF THE HOME

INT: *John 10:7-11. Jesus promised mankind what no other teacher in the world ever dared promise!
 *Matt. 4:23-25 Jesus gathered the largest crowd He had ever spoken to: "The Abundant Life".
 The Beautitudes contain the SEED for the greatest and most satisfying LIFE possible on earth!
 Lesson: How these promises-if seriously accepted-would create a beautiful Christian HOME!!!

*Matt. 5:1-9.
 Ill. Dr. Jerry Greenwald, Santa Monica, Calif.:
 Writes: Seven Myths about Family Life which give us UNREALISTIC expectations about life and keep us from being as satisfied, as we should be, in our lives, our marriages and in our homes.
Family-2 myths. Parents-4 myths. Children-1 myth.

I. THE MYTHS AND THE SPIRIT!!!*Ideal VS Reality!*

A. MYTHS ABOUT THE FAMILY.

Poor

1. "We should ENJOY being with family more than with friends." Emergencies: always!!!
 Children: some. Adolescence: Little.
 Adults: some. emancipation!

Ill. Kennedy assassination. Get home!

*Matt. 5:3. Poor. Humble. Shelter me! Love!
Surely Chr. family most caring! Kingdom!!!

MOURN!

2. "People who love each other tell each other everything!" Family. CAN! Jas. 5:16. Mates.
 Matt. 5:4. Mourn. PRIVACY is a "right"
 some cherish more than others. Children
 CHOOSE not to always tell all! Ill. ACC
 Youth Forum. Family-communications! Dan:
 "Don't want parents to think DOWN on me."

*Mourn over sin? Panel?*B. MYTH ABOUT THE CHILDREN.*MEEK!*

1. "Brothers and sisters must love each other." True IF siblings follow Matt. 5:5. Inherit the earth! FORCED "love" is a false love. Daily inneractions, competition, desires & selfishness can mar sibling-love. Streaks or tendencies can alienate. Meekness unites!!!
Can LOVE each other and not necessarily LIKE each other! Cross-personalities! Christians are still MEEK. Closer in maturity!!!often.

Do!

C. MYTHS ABOUT THE PARENTS.

HUNGER

1. "Good children should accept their parents' values, beliefs and opinions." Secondary reason. 1st: Matt. 5:6. Parents CANNOT force their beliefs nor values on children. Can rebel Parents MUST teach, exhort & persuade. E. 6:4. Opinions and Judgments should identified for what they are. Truth--unalterable. Ill. Eugene Eden. Okla. City. Movies-swimming.
2. "A good mother NEVER resents her children." False! ^{MERCIFUL.} Are momentary flashes. Children are demanding, freedom-limiting, & draining. Matt. 5:7. Mercy! Compassion. Sympathetic. MOTHERS are the nearest things to GOD on earth.
3. "Bringing up emotionally healthy children call for special psychological knowledge & expertise" False! Matt. 5:8. ^{PURE!} Pure in heart more likely to raise children successfully, than professors who know all Psy. principles etc. Truth, love and COMMON SENSE rears healthy children. Ill. How many of your parents had no sophisticated College-book-learning???? Did well!!
4. "Even a bad marriage is better for children than a divorce." Matt. 5:9. Peacemakers. ^{PEACE!} PRINCIPLE: Every child has a right to the Abundant Life! Peaceful. Free of tension, anxiety & strife! IF.....parents CANNOT give children that Way Of Life **TOGETHER**, then it behoves them to give it to them separately. Pretense, Hypocrisy, *Make-believe love! This can shatter a teenager's emotional life! Death! BEST: Parents submit to GOD! To each other! Eph. 5:21. **BUILD A STEADY, LOVING AND SPIRITUAL HOME FOR THE CHILDREN!!!!**

INV. Jesus promises the Abundant Life! John 10:10.

Are YOU enjoying it? If not, can! Matt. 5:3.

^{Poor} I Pet. 5:6-7. B-R-C-B.

Brethren: YOUR spirit been right with God?

If not, aren't you glad HIS attitude is STILL right with you??? Jas. 5:16.

NEW NEIGHBORS: Invite you to identify!

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